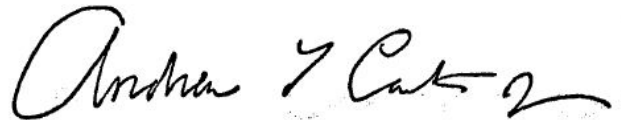


**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK****FRANCIS,****Plaintiff,****-against-****JOHNSON & JOHNSON,****Defendant.****22-cv-03812 (ALC)****ORDER****ANDREW L. CARTER, JR., United States District Judge:**

The Court is in receipt of the Defendant's pre-motion conference letter related to its anticipated motion to dismiss. ECF No. 38. Defendant's request for a pre-motion conference is **DENIED**. Defendant is hereby **GRANTED** leave to file the motions. The Parties are directed to adhere to the following briefing schedule:

Opening Brief: April 8, 2024**Opposition: May 6, 2024****Reply: May 13, 2024**

If the Parties wish to propose an alternative briefing schedule, they may do so by filing a Joint Letter on or before March 18, 2024.

SO ORDERED.**Dated: March 11, 2024
New York, New York**

**ANDREW L. CARTER, JR.
United States District Judge**